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## BUSINESS MEN ORGANIZE CLUB

Enthusiastic Meeting Results  
in a Permanent County  
Organization

### WILL BOOST FOR GOOD ROADS

Graham County Chamber of  
Commerce, of Safford,  
Is Name Chosen

A meeting of the business men of Safford was held in Brier's Hall Tuesday night. About twenty were present when the meeting was called to order by John F. Weber, who had been selected as temporary chairman, with W. P. Lathrop, as temporary secretary.

The meeting was called for the purpose of organizing a commercial club. There was considerable discussion as to the benefits to be derived from a commercial club and C. D. Hamilton, of the Ocean to Ocean Good Roads Association, who was present, with C. W. Braden, who is accompanying him on his trip through this section, gave a very interesting talk on the necessity of an organized body in this county to forward the movement for good roads.

Mr. Hamilton particularly called attention to the fact that at the meeting in Phoenix of the Good Roads Association, at which were present delegates from California, New Mexico and Arizona, the route of the transcontinental highway was chosen from Los Angeles to Yuma, thence to Phoenix, to Roosevelt Dam, to Globe, to San Carlos, to Safford, to Solomonville, and then either by way of Duncan road or the toll road to Clifton and from there to Springville, from which point the road goes to Magdalena, N. M.

In every place except Graham county there is a commercial club, organized especially to boost their particular locality, and at the present time, Mr. Hamilton said, the clubs in Douglas and Tucson and the clubs in the northern part of the State were actively engaged in trying to have the route changed to go thru their respective localities.

So that it was absolutely necessary for Safford business men to get together at once and organize a commercial club and join with Globe, Clifton and Phoenix in making a strong organization and keep the route as chosen by the Phoenix convention.

On the conclusion of Mr. Hamilton's remarks, the meeting decided to organize permanently, and on motion of John J. Birdno, the name, Graham County Chamber of Commerce of Safford, was adopted.

John J. Birdno was then chosen permanent chairman and Chas. F. Solomon permanent secretary-treasurer.

On motion of E. W. Clayton, the annual dues were fixed at \$5.00.

On motion by John F. Weber, a committee of six was appointed to see the business men of the county and have them attend the next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, which will be held at Brier's Hall, next Tuesday evening, March 19th.

The committee named were: John F. Weber, E. W. Clayton, C. W. Faulkner, Geo. P. Jacobson, Dr. J. N. Stratton and W. P. Lathrop.

The meeting then adjourned. In connection with the above meeting, it might be well to say that there is nothing in the way of organization that could be better for Graham county in general and the Gila valley in particular, than a chamber of commerce, a body composed of the business men, professional men and farmers of the county for the purpose of boosting the advantages of the valley and advertise it to the outside world.

We want the transcontinental road to come thru the Gila valley, so that our wonderful resources, fine farming land, irrigating canals, delightful climate will be known to everybody which would be better done if the great highway passed thru the valley and if we had a live commercial body to look after the interests of the entire valley and county.

The chamber of commerce can be made a very successful organization if our business men and others will do their part in completing the organization, and it is hoped that the next meeting will be well attended and we will all go into this new work enthusiastically and with the intention of making the chamber of commerce a success from the start.

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## FAMILY REUNION NEWS FROM BOWIE

President Christopher Layton's Birthday Is Celebrated at Thatcher

The anniversary of Christopher Layton's birthday on March 9th was celebrated by a reunion of the Laytons in the valley, at the Thatcher Amusement Hall.

All gathered at the hall at ten o'clock and the following program was carried out.

Caroline Layton, wife of Christopher Layton, expressed her pleasure at seeing the unity that existed among the Laytons in the valley. She related many instances where her husband had helped the poor and needy, and hoped that all his posterity would emulate his example.

Rose, another wife of Mr. Layton's, made a few remarks, expressing her appreciation of the great work done by her husband, then she sang, "I'll Hang My Hat On a Willow Tree."

Mrs. Selena Phillips, the secretary of the Layton Organization, then read the statistical and financial report of the organization. She followed this report with a few remarks on the printed history of her father, of which she was the compiler. Mrs. Phillips worked for three years on this, and after much arduous labor put it in the hands of the publishers. They have now published five hundred copies of the life of Christopher Layton, at a cost of \$746.58.

"Far Away," a favorite song of Mr. Layton's, was sung by his wife, Elizabeth Layton.

Johnathan Hoopes then spoke briefly of President Layton. Said he had traveled ten thousand miles with Mr. Layton and had never known a better man.

E. C. Phillips then sang, "Magpie, Dear, Sitting By My Side," a song that President Layton used to sing.

President Kimball then spoke, expressing his appreciation of this great man and his family. Said that few had done more towards peopling the earth than President Layton, and he paid many splendid tributes to this man and his family. He spoke of the great number of Laytons who had preached the gospel in the world.

This was followed by a piano solo, by Mrs. Nora Clifford.

John Sims, a brother-in-law to President Layton, then told of the good council in temporal affairs given to his people by President Layton.

Samuel Claridge then read a poem composed for the occasion. After this all retired to the dining hall, where about 300 hundred sat down to a most delicious dinner. A pleasant hour was passed at the tables, after which a laughable farce was presented by the young people, which furnished much genuine amusement and was greatly appreciated.

As the day was very stormy, many members of the family and their friends took lunch in the hall and remained for the family dance in the evening, which was a most interesting affair. It closed at ten o'clock.

Previous to the amusements in the morning, the family held a brief business meeting, where the same officers were sustained for another year.

A number of the old friends of President Layton had a special invitation to the social, and all expressed themselves as having had a most enjoyable day.

### GLOBE COUPLE MARRIED

Miss Frankie L. Gates Becomes the Bride of J. A. Larsen

Miss Frankie L. Gates and J. A. Larsen, both of Globe, were married Monday, by Rev. P. D. Gardner, at the parsonage of the M. E. Church, South.

The bride is the daughter of Frank L. Gates, clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Gila county, and is a young lady of prominence in the social life of Globe. The groom is a well-known business man of Globe.

### Glorious News

comes from Dr. J. T. Curtis, Dwight, Kan. He writes: "I not only have cured bad cases of eczema in my patients with Electric Bitters, but also cured myself by them of the same disease. I feel sure they will benefit any case of eczema." This shows what thousands have proved, that Electric Bitters is a most effective blood purifier. It's an excellent remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Price 50 cts. Satisfaction guaranteed by Safford Drug Co., Safford, Ariz. 2-5t

Homeseekers Are Improving Their Lands and Sowing and Planting

Bowie and the San Simon valley was well soaked with about two and one-half inches of rain which fell Saturday and Sunday. Many of the homesteaders are now sowing and planting.

Jaque has had a force of men at work for some time on his homestead, two miles south of town, and is now plowing and planting out three acres of fruit, making a test of a general variety, from Satsuma oranges to apples, including almonds and English walnuts.

Albert Streit, of Cincinnati, Ohio, came in this week and has taken up a homestead.

J. M. Pardue's office, on the south end of Central avenue, is about finished and is being painted.

The lumber has arrived for the Biggs' Opera House and work will begin at once.

Work is now well underway on the Shafer business block, a double store, one to be occupied by J. P. Shafer, the other as a barber shop, bath room and pool hall.

The Barnetts have started work on the Pulliam well, one and a half miles north of town.

Mrs. J. H. Jaque has returned from Cincinnati, where she has been visiting for the past two months, and states she never intends leaving the Arizona sunshine in winter.

Many homesteaders are now coming in and establishing residences on their land, building and improving.

Bowie has new comers and homeseekers now every day, and letters received by the Commercial Club indicate there will be a rush in homeseekers the coming month.

L. M. McKinley, of the Arizona Fire Insurance Co., was in Bowie on business the past week.

Morris Simon has had his lots improved with a fence and contemplates building later.

### MARRIED IN FLORENCE

Miss Lottie Colton Becomes the Bride of E. O. Devine

A quiet wedding occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Reppy, on South Main street, Thursday evening, March 7, 1912, says the Florence Blade-Tribune. The contracting parties were E. O. Devine, of Florence, and Miss Lottie Colton, of Safford, Rev. G. A. Henderson tied the hymenal knot in the presence of a small party of the close personal friends of the young couple, Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Price acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen.

E. O. Devine is a native of Florence, being twin brother of E. B. Devine, the county school superintendent. He is a member of the Florence Commercial Company and is an industrious and energetic young gentleman.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Colton, of Safford, and was raised in Florence, leaving here only a few years since with her parents when they moved to Safford. She returned to Florence last September to accept a position as teacher in the Florence public school, which position she resigned last Friday to get ready for the wedding. She is a popular and deserving young lady.

The young couple began house keeping immediately after the wedding. Their many friends here will join this paper in wishing them all the happiness and prosperity within the gift of Fate. THE GUARDIAN also joins in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Devine a happy wedded life.

### GOODS ROADS MAN HERE

C. D. Hamilton, of the Arizona Good Roads Association, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, and C. W. Braden, arrived here Friday evening in Mr. Hamilton's automobile. Mr. Hamilton is boosting good roads and while here helped materially in organizing the chamber of commerce.

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House and seven lots; fine location. For prices and terms, write to T. C. Schaeffer, Safford, Ariz. 2-14

Hon. A. R. Lynch, accompanied by B. F. Thum, left for Phoenix on Wednesday. Mr. Lynch proposes to be on the ground when the Speakership fight takes place, because he proposes being the presiding officer of the Assembly.

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## GILA VALLEY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered by the Guardian's Correspondents

### THATCHER

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Green are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, who came to their home Saturday.

J. R. Welker and W. A. Moody took some expert lumbermen up to their saw mill on top of the mountain Saturday, with a view to looking into conditions and getting things ready to open up the mill.

The Academy closed on Tuesday to give the faculty and students an opportunity of attending the funeral of Mrs. Webb, as Mr. Webb is a member of the board. Many other people also went from here.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Parker last week, leaving a fine baby girl.

O. C. Jones sends an account of his marriage to a popular and accomplished girl in Indiana, by the name of Carmena Lemon. The wedding took place February 26th.

The Thatcher church is being newly painted and fixed up in general.

President Kimball has improved his property by the addition of a new fence along his sidewalk.

Mr. Hagan, representing the Ridgely Lumber Bureau, was in town this week trying to make arrangements to give another course of five entertainments this year.

### PIMA

Everybody is rejoicing over our beautiful rain.

Wilfred Ferrin, one of our genial barbers, has gone to Miami to work.

D. H. Weech has purchased the W. W. McDonald home, adjoining the barley mills he recently bought from J. H. Blair.

J. H. Blair sold his barley mills to D. H. Weech and is now in the automobile business.

Harve Mangum is moving his family in town from his ranch.

Reese Green has purchased a new buggy. What does it mean. Wait and see.

### DEATH OF MRS. W. T. WEBB

Passes Away in Salt Lake City, Utah, March 6th

Mrs. W. T. Webb, aged 44 years, died at the L. D. S. Hospital, Salt Lake City, Utah, Wednesday, March 6th, at 6:05 p. m. The immediate cause of her death was peritonitis. Mr. Webb was present at her bedside when the end came.

Mrs. Sarah Webb was born March 17, 1867, in Eden, Oregon valley, Utah. She came to the Gila valley with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burns, in 1882. She was married to W. T. Webb in Salt Lake City, Utah, October, 1887.

Mrs. Webb was a devoted daughter and loving wife. She is survived by her husband, three sisters and one brother.

The funeral services were held in the Pima meeting house, Tuesday morning March 12th. The house was beautifully decorated in white bunting and flowers, emblematic of her life. Those who spoke were: President Kimball, who was followed by Mrs. Laura Nuttal, W. W. Pace, David H. Claridge and Bishop Phil C. Merrill.

The interment was made in Pima cemetery.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

W. R. Chambers announces that he has moved his office from Solomonville to Safford, where he will continue the general branches of law. 3-3t

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J. M. Matthews, of Andrews, Texas, is in town with two jacks which he has for sale.

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## A BADGER FIGHT

Wanslee's Bull Dog Is the Hero of Two Battles Saturday Night

The tip was given out Saturday afternoon that a large and most ferocious badger had been caught and that a fight had been arranged to come off at Wanslee's place in the evening, between the badger and Wanslee's bull dog, Jeff.

About 8:00 o'clock a large crowd had assembled at the scene of the fight, among them many prominent citizens, whose faces glowed with enthusiasm as they heard of the tales of past fights and who anxiously looked forward to the encounter.

Many thought it would be a fake, but when the rope was pulled by Eli Krupp and a ferocious wild cat bounded out of the box, the crowd was somewhat startled and there was a quick scramble for places of safety.

The cat, which was a fine specimen, and Jeff, the bull dog, came together immediately in a deadly clinch. They rolled and slashed at each other with telling effect, finally Jeff landed the knockout bite, and the cat departed for the unknown shores.

Sometime later, Wanslee gave out the news that he had secured a real badger and that Jeff would be matched against him. He offered to bet \$100 to \$10 that Jeff would win the fight. Other bets were made, and it was remarkable how much loose money could be found in the crowd and how sporty they were.

Finally, the cage containing the badger was brought into the room, and it was all Wanslee could do to hold Jeff.

C. D. Hamilton was selected to pull the rope that would raise the box and let the badger out into the room. Mr. Hamilton braced himself and took a firm hold of the rope, and when the sign was given, he gave one mighty pull that lifted the box and brought the badger bounding out onto the floor.

The fight was short and decisive and resulted in a victory for Jeff, who came out of the encounter without a scratch.

Mr. Hamilton was very much surprised at the result of the fight and a strange and doubtful look was seen upon his face as he left the place.

### LYCEUM LECTURES

Prominent Socialist Speakers Have Been Secured

The following lectures will be given in the course secured by the socialist party. The lectures will be given at Brier's Hall as follows:

Wednesday, March 27th, at 8:00 p. m. "Why Things Happen to Us," by N. A. Richardson, chairman State Central Committee, California.

Wednesday, April 3d, at 8:00 p. m. "The War of the Classes," by George D. Brewer, of the Appeal to Reason staff.

Wednesday, April 10th, at 8:00 p. m. "The Trust Busters," by Anna Agnes Maley, editor of The Commonwealth, Everett, Wash.

Wednesday, April 17th, at 8:00 p. m. "Socialists at Work," by George A. Goebel.

### ST. JOSEPH STAKE NEWS

Quarterly Conference Will Be Held March 16th and 17th

The quarterly conference of the St. Joseph Stake will be held in Thatcher, Saturday and Sunday, March 16th and 17th. President Francis M. Lyman and Elder Geo. F. Richards will be in attendance. Also Supt. Horace H. Cummings. The stake officers' preparation meeting will be omitted.

Typewriter For Sale

Underwood No. 5, almost new; bargain for cash. H. L. STEVENSON, Forest Office, Safford. 4-2t

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Foote Saturday. Mother and daughter reported doing nicely.

J. H. Blair, of Pima, is running two public automobiles, and advertises that he will haul passengers anywhere in the State from any station. All you have to do is to call Mr. Blair on the phone at Pima and he will meet you at any depot. His prices are reasonable.

John W. Sickelsmith, Greensboro, Pa., has three children, and like most children they frequently take cold. "We have tried several kinds of cough medicine," he says, "but have never found any yet that did them as much good as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." For sale by Safford Drug Co. 2-5t

## NEW LEGISLATION

A Communication by a Practical Man to Every Farmer

Will you permit me, through the columns of the Arizona, to bring before the farmers of our new state a few important points that we need legislation upon?

It seems to me that every man in Arizona is interested in bringing about such legislation.

We must have our present laws amended so the horticultural Commission will have power to stamp out all pests and insects possible and prohibit the importation of all nursery stock, trees and shrubs of all kinds, that are infested with insects; also, the importation of fruit which is infested with insects should be prohibited, and if found in transit anywhere in the new state, or otherwise, or offered for sale from any fruit stand, the same should be destroyed or sent out at once by the commission, after a careful inspection.

The commission has been handicapped ever since its organization; it does not have the necessary power to act at once, no matter how bad the case may be; also, the funds are not sufficient to do the work that is necessary to be done. We must have an appropriation from the new state of not less than ten thousand (\$10,000) and fifteen thousand and would be much better, with this amount there could be a good showing made, not having sufficient means with which to do the work is worse than anything; this amount is only one-tenth of one per cent of the value of the agricultural products for one year. If the commission succeeds it will mean one million dollars, or more, saved in our products.

The codling moth has destroyed untold thousands of dollars worth for us; the alfalfa seed fly has destroyed over five hundred thousand dollars worth of seed this last season, this loss is confined to Yuma, Buckeye, Salt River and Gila valleys.

The next thing is the Utah weevil; we want to prepare to quarantine against anything shipped from infested districts in Utah. The loss to the Utah alfalfa crop is up in the thousands of dollars. So you see we must awaken, get our wits before the legislature and we will know where our votes count.

I would like for every farmer to show some interest in this and contend for our rights.

Now, as I have started the ball I wish some of you farmers would give it another kick.—IRA HARPER, in Duncan Arizona.

### THE CAKE CONTEST

Held at Thatcher Saturday was a Great Success

The Cottolene cake contest held at Thatcher last Saturday was a great success. There were eighty-four cakes entered, all of which deserved a prize.

In spite of the fact that it rained all day, there were at least 350 people present.

The prizes were awarded as follows: First prize, Mrs. Mabel Adams; second prize, Mrs. Pulsipher; third prize, Mrs. Ison; fourth prize, Mrs. Caroline Goodfellow; fifth prize, Mrs. J. C. Phillips.

The special prize for the young lady under 16 years of age, was won by Miss Opal Williams.

### Gasoline and Naptha

The Safford Ice and Creamery Co. makes the following prices: Gasoline, 68 to 70 gravity, in barrels, 23 cents per gallon; in cases, \$3.25 per case. Naptha, in barrels, 20 cents per gallon. Gas Engine Cylinder Oil, 75 cents per gallon. Arelite, coal oil, \$2.40 per case 52-4t.

### Roses and Trees

Now is the time to plant. We have an extra fine stock this season. A postal will bring our new catalog. SMITH'S NURSERY, Safford, Arizona. 48-1t

Burial caskets carried in stock by The Gila Valley Furniture and Hardware Store. 7-1yr

A. E. Keith and Chas. F. McGlone arrived here Saturday from Wilcox, Arizona. They came here for the purpose of purchasing several car loads of hay and grain for the Wilcox market.

The Fairview Townsite Company have bought and platted about 180 acres of farm land in Fairview, which they are preparing to put on the market in 24 acre tracts. The owners are working out stock in the Smithville Extension canal and expect to build a large reservoir on the mesa in which to store mountain water. The town boasts pure water for domestic uses, which is a great factor in the upbuilding of any community.

## LEGISLATURE MEETS MONDAY

Members of the First State  
Legislature are Arriving  
in Phoenix

### LYNCH AND BRADNER AT CAPITAL

Graham County Man Is In the  
Lead in the Speaker-  
ship Contest

PHOENIX, Ariz., March 14.—To date not many of the out of town statesmen have put in an appearance, but hotel reservations indicate that after today members of the legislature will be very much in evidence.

Still the contest for the speakership rages, and the result is in doubt. Bradner is here and has been for a week. The Benson man has spent a lot of time in fence building.

Lynch has not been on the main battle field much of the time, but the firing line has frequently bent beneath his triumphant stride. From Safford he has been directing the campaign, and his friends are confident of his election.

Cochise county is hopelessly split. Nearly every member is a candidate and every member is for himself.

The Maricopa delegation is split. There is some harmony in Maricopa's camp, though, as she has no aspirant for the honor.

There is some talk of a dark horse for the speakership, and several names are being mentioned in this connection. But between Lynch and Bradner the members are pretty well sewed up. Both candidates claim to scent victory and produce documentary evidence to the effect that they will win by a majority of from one to fifteen.

### A SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Superintendent Curnow Falls In to Ore Chute at Morenci

One of the most deplorable accidents that has ever occurred in the history of Morenci, happened to John Curnow, mine superintendent for the Arizona Copper Company, on Sunday afternoon, when he walked into an open chute and dropped 33 feet into a pile of ore. His groans attracted the attention of the mine foreman and the injured man was hastily taken out of the chute and removed to the A. C. Hospital. Examination developed that his spinal column had been fractured and that he had suffered internal injuries, and little hope for his recovery is entertained.

Later—an operation was performed and it was found by the attending surgeons that his back was broken and life held, only from the fact that the spinal cord was uninjured. The sad affair happened in the Yavapai mine on the first level. Mr. Curnow had just left his head timberman, after a consultation, and turned into the wrong tunnel, three of which led from the shaft, and he walked into the open chute.—Copper Era.

### MINE CASE DECIDED

—Washington, D. C., March 13.—The Supreme Court has affirmed the decision, with costs, in appeal from the Supreme Court of Arizona, in the case of Chas. Clason vs. Nick Matko and others, to quiet title to the Ranger Mining claims. The decision is adverse to Clason.

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